



*Office of Public Affairs
U.S. Embassy, Wellington*

July 21, 2005

The Embassy of the United States of America wishes to reassure the people of New Zealand that the United States Government has neither asked for nor received policy commitments of any kind from any political party in New Zealand.

As Ambassador Swindells made clear in his farewell speech, the United States stands ready to work with whomever New Zealanders choose to represent them in order to make this important relationship all that our respective citizens want it to be.